THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Balance amount of funds under MPLADS

1334. SHRI BHADRESWAR BURAGOHAIN: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the reason for Government for not sending the total of one crore rupees to each Member of Parliament and for sending only fifty lakhs of rupees; and

(b) whether Government will reconsider the matter and thereby send the remaining fifty lakhs rupees immediately so that the projects can be completed before the Lok Sabha Election?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAVA):

(a) As per the guidelines on MPLADS, the amount of Rs. one crore is to be released by the Department of programme implementation for each MP in two instalments on the basis of physical and financial progress of works under implementation and further requirement of funds for works.

(b) The information pertaining to utilisation of funds already released under the scheme has been called for from the concerned Collectors separately in respect of each MP. The second instalment of Rs. 50 lakhs for the year 1995-96 would be released on receipt and scrutiny of the Collector's reports on physical and financial progress of the works.

Rehabilitation of released bonded labour

1335. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) number of bonded labour released from hazardous industries in the country during 1993, 1994 and 1995 with year-wise break-up; and

(b) whether all the released labour have been rehabilitated, if not, the number of labourers who still remain to be rehabilitated?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) Since enactment of the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976, a total of 2,51,424 bonded labourers have been identified and released by the State Governments, out of which only about 6,000 bonded labourers are awaiting rehabilitation. The names of the industries in which these bonded labourers were working is not available.

Imports/Exports to Pakistan

1336. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the items presently exported to and imported from Pakistan;

(b) the steps taken to increase the trade between both the countries during the last three years;

(c) whether there is a vast scope for promotion of trade between both the countries;

(d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken in that direction; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Major items presently exported to Pakistan include oil meals, iron ore, dyes & coal tar, chemicals, spices, and drugs & pharmaceuticals, and those imported from Pakistan include fruits and nuts, spices, textile yarn, fabrics & made-ups, leather, and fertilizers manufactured.

(b) to (e) Trade between India and Pakistan is hampered by Pakistan Government's restrictive policy for imports from India. Pakistan has not